

REMARKS

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application.

The Examiner has issued a Restriction Requirement, and has required applicant to elect either Group I (claims 1-8, 13, 18-24 and 31-33) or Group II (claims 9-12, 14-17 and 25-19) for prosecution on the merits. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant elects Group II, claims 9-12, 14-17 and 25-19 for prosecution on the merits in the present application.

Furthermore, claims 9-12, 14-17 and 25-29 have been cancelled and replaced with newly added claims 34-68 to more clearly and particularly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The subject matter of claims 34-68 corresponds to the subject matter of former claims 9-12, 14-17 and 25-29. No new matter has been added.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 33422.

Respectfully submitted,

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